STATEMENT TO THE LEGISLATURE BY
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MR. SPEAKER:

FURTHER TO MY ANNOUNCEMENT OF LAST WEEK THAT A

COMMITTEE WILL BE FORMED TO STUDY THE FUTURE ROLE OF THE

UNIVERSITIES IN ONTARIO, I AM PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE

TERMS OF REFERENCE AS WELL AS MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT.

THERE ARE FIVE AREAS THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER. THESE ARE:

- TO DEVELOP A PUBLIC STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES FOR ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES IN THE 1980'S EXPRESSED IN OPERATIONAL TERMS;
- TO RELATE THE COST OF MEETING THESE OBJECTIVES TO FUNDING LEVELS;
- TO CONSIDER MODIFICATIONS TO THE FUNDING MECHANISM WHICH WOULD PROVIDE APPROPRIATE PROCESSES TO ENCOURAGE VOLUNTARY INSTITUTIONAL ADJUSTMENTS AND INTER-INSTITUTIONAL COOPERATION TO MEET THESE OBJECTIVES;

- TO DEFINE MORE CLEARLY THE APPROPRIATE JOINT ROLES

 OF THE INDIVIDUAL INSTITUTIONS, THE COUNCIL OF

 ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES, THE ONTARIO COUNCIL ON

 UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO;

 AND
- TO RECOMMEND SUCH OTHER POLICY CHANGES AS ARE

 JUDGED LIKELY TO IMPROVE THE ABILITY OF THE ONTARIO

 UNIVERSITIES TO MEET THE AGREED UPON OBJECTIVES.

As far as the makeup of the committee is concerned,

I have chosen persons with both system-wide and

Institutional knowledge and experience to serve as

Members. They were chosen on these grounds rather than to

Represent special interest groups. The members of the

Committee will be:

MR. R. J. BUTLER

- SECRETARY, MANAGEMENT BOARD OF CABINET

DR. G. E. CONNELL

- PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO

PROFESSOR J. S. DUPRE

- University of Toronto

DR. H. K. FISHER

- DEPUTY MINISTER, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND MINISTRY OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

MISS M. HAMILTON

- EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT, THOMSON NEWSPAPER LIMITED DR. G. A. HARROWER

- President, Lakehead University

MR. A. R. MARCHMENT

- CHAIRMAN, GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF CANADA

MRS. M. S. PAIKIN

- DIRECTOR, SOUTHAM INC.

PROFESSOR M. L. PILKINGTON - YORK UNIVERSITY

MR. R. P. RIGGIN

- SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT, CORPORATE RELATIONS, NORANDA MINES LIMITED

DR. R. L. WATTS

- PRINCIPAL, QUEEN'S

MR. B. A. WILSON

- ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER,
MINISTRY OF COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES

DR. W. C. WINEGARD

- CHAIRMAN, ONTARIO COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS

DR. FISHER WILL SERVE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE. IN ADDITION, DR. E. J. MONAHAN WILL SERVE AS A RESOURCE PERSON TO THE COMMITTEE, AND THE MINISTRY OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WILL PROVIDE A SECRETARIAT.

I AM SURE THAT HONOURABLE MEMBERS WILL AGREE THAT THESE MEMBERS HAVE THE EXPERTISE TO PROVIDE THE GOVERNMENT WITH SOUND ADVICE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF OUR UNIVERSITIES. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO RECEIVING A PRELIMINARY REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE BY FEBRUARY 28, 1981 SO THAT DISCUSSIONS CAN BE CARRIED OUT WITH THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE. I EXPECT THE FINAL REPORT WILL BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 30TH.